

A black and white photograph of a stack of books. The spines of the books are visible, creating a rhythmic pattern of vertical lines. Overlaid on the center of the image is the Sonoran Desert Institute (SDI) logo. The logo consists of the word "SONORAN" in a bold, sans-serif font at the top, a large, stylized "SDI" in the middle, and the words "DESERT INSTITUTE" in a smaller, bold, sans-serif font at the bottom.

SONORAN



DESERT
INSTITUTE

Writing Center: SDI Citation Style Guide

SDI Citation Style Guide

Table of Contents

SDI Citation Style	2
Book.....	2
• Single author.....	2
• Two authors.....	2
• More than two authors	3
• Organization as author.....	3
• Books with editor, no author.....	3
• Later Editions of a book	3
• EBook.....	3
• Online Book	3
Article.....	4
• Newspaper	4
• Print Journal	4
• Online Journal.....	4
• Online Magazine	4
• Print Magazine.....	4
Websites	5
• Website.....	5
• Article.....	5
• YouTube.....	5
• Blog post.....	5
Reference Books	6
• Encyclopedia.....	6
Government Documents.....	6
In-Text Citations	6
Bibliography	6



SDI Citation Style

The basic makeup of the bibliography entry for SDI's citation style is the following:

Book = Author. *Title*. Date. Publisher. Page number.

Print Article = Author. "Title." *Source Title*. Date. Page number.

Found Online = Author. "Title." *Source Title*. Date. URL.

For dates, try to always use the published date. However, if there is no published date, use the copyright. If neither of these are available put n.d. for no date available.

The SDI Citation Style is based on the MLA citation style. If you ever find you have a source that isn't covered below, please visit the [Purdue Online Writing Lab](#) on MLA formatting for additional resources.

If you're using a citation generator (in Microsoft Word, [BibMe](#), or others), use MLA formatting, as this is the closest to the SDI citation style.

Below, more detailed examples are provided for a variety of source types.



Book

- **Single author:**

Author Last Name, Author First Name. *Title*. Date. Publisher. Pages.

Walsh, Michael. *Last Stands: Why Men Fight When All is Lost*. December 2020. St. Martin's Press. Pp. 120-123.

- **Two authors:**

**Author Last Name, Author First Name and Author Last Name, Author First Name.
Title. Date. Publisher. Pages.**

Babin, Leif and Willink, Jocko. *Extreme Ownership: How U.S. Navy SEALs Lead and Win*. October 2015. St. Martin's Press. Pp. 10-14.

- **More than two authors:** *Put the first author alphabetically and put "et al" after to take the place of the other authors.*

Author Last Name, Author First Name (put down author who would appear first alphabetically) et al. Title. Date. Publisher. Pages.

Cody, James et al. *Running the Ropes: Life in the Ring*. July 2019. Harcourt. Pp. 5-6.

- **Organization as author:**

Organization. Title. Date. Publisher. Pages.

Sonoran Desert Institute. *Introduction to Firearms*. 2020. SDI. Pp. 100-102.

- **Books with editor, no author:**

Editor Last Name, Editor First Name (Ed.). Title. Date. Publisher. Pages.

Tallet, Frank (Ed.). *European Warfare 1350 – 1750*. 2010. Cambridge University Press. Pp 23-25.

- **Later Editions of a book:**

**Author/Editor Last Name, Author/Editor First Name. Title. Edition. Date.
Publisher. Pages.**

Cassel, Jay (Ed.). *Shooter's Bible*. 109th Edition. 2017. Skyhorse Publishing. P. 55.

- **EBook:**

**Author Last Name, Author First Name. Title. Date. Publisher. Ebook Edition.
Pages.**

Howe, Walter J. *Professional Gunsmithing – A Textbook on the Repair and Alteration of Firearms – With Detailed Notes and Suggestions Relative to the Equipment and Operation of a Commercial Gun Shop*. 2013. Read Books LTD. Kindle ed. P. 203.

- **Online Book:**

Author Last Name, Author First Name. *Title*. Date. Publisher. URL. Pages.

Fairham, William. *Woodwork Joints*. 2007. Project Gutenberg.
<https://www.gutenberg.org/files/21531/21531-h/21531-h.htm>.

• • • • •

Article

- **Newspaper:**

Author Last Name, Author First Name. “Title.” *Source Publication title*. Date, Page.

Blow, Charles. M. “Black and Armed.” *New York Times*. December 20, 2020, p. B12.

- **Print Journal:**

**Author Last Name, Author First Name. “Title.” *Source Publication Title*. Date.
Publisher. Page.**

Hattie, John and Marsh, Herbert W. “The Relation Between Research Productivity and Teaching Effectiveness: Complementary, Antagonistic, or Independent Constructs.” *The Journal of Higher Education*. Oct 2002. Taylor & Francis Ltd. P. 16.

- **Online Journal:**

**Author Last Name, Author First Name. “Title of Article.” *Source Publication Title*.
Date, Page. URL.**

Blocher, Joseph. “Firearm Localism.” *The Yale Law Journal*. October 2013, pp. 3-4.
https://www.yalelawjournal.org/pdf/c-2.82.Blocher.146_dr3xfyrt.pdf

- **Online Magazine:**

**Author Last Name, Author First Name. “Title of Article.” *Source Publication Title*.
Date, Page. URL.**

Workman, Dave. “Lawsuit Over Arm Braces Could Have Huge Impact.” *Guns Magazine*. 2021, p. 11. <https://gunsmagazine.com/discover/lawsuit-over-arm-braces-could-have-huge-impact/>.

- **Print Magazine:**

**Author Last Name, Author First Name. “Title of Article.” *Source Publication Title*.
Date, Page.**

Smith, John. "Ruger PC Charger." *Guns & Ammo*. February 2020. P.4.



Websites

- **Website:**

Owner / Author. Name of Website. Date.

Brownells. Brownells.com, the leading supplier of Firearm Accessories, Gun Parts and Gunsmithing Tools. 2021.

- **Article:**

Author Last Name, Author First Name. "Title of Source." *Source Publication Title*. Date. URL.

Prasac, Max. "How to Manage Big-Bore Revolver Recoil." *Gun Digest*. July 19, 2021.
<https://gundigest.com/handguns/hunting-guns/how-to-manage-big-bore-revolver-recoil>.

- **YouTube:**

Channel Name / Username. "Title of Video." Date. URL.

Iraqveteran888. "Kalashnikov USA KS-12." January 13, 2021.
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=dkxFfjCMV6g>.

- **Blog post:**

Username. "Blog Article Title." Blog Title. Date. URL.

C. Luke. "The Rimfire Report: Hands-On with the American 180 Submachine Gun." *The Firearm Blog*. January 18, 2021.
<https://www.thefirearmblog.com/blog/2021/01/18/rimfire-report-american-180/>.



Reference Books

- **Encyclopedia:**

“Entry Title.” *Source Title*. Date, Page. URL.

“Flintlock.” *Encyclopaedia Britannica*. Jan 17, 2020, p. 3.
<https://www.britannica.com/technology/flintlock>.

Government Documents

Department. *Title of Document*. Date. Source Title. Page.

U.S. Department of Commerce. *Conservation of Materials in Defense Production*.
March 1956. Historical Reports on Defense Production Report 14. P. 12-16.

***Title of Document*. Section of document.**

United States Constitution. Amend. II.



In-Text Citations

When quoting from your sources in your papers, you’ll be using in-text citations. These in-text citations will consist of parentheticals that contain the first piece of information from your bibliography entry (author’s last name, or if not available, title of the source), as well as the date to the corresponding source, and corresponding page number if applicable. For example:

+ “Shooting a handgun accurately is much more difficult than is a rifle” (Prasac, 2021, p. 4).

*** NOTE: Even when you paraphrase, you still need to include intext citations.**



Bibliography

Your bibliography should contain all the sources you've used in supporting your paper. The sources should be ordered alphabetically. Indent each line of a bibliography entry besides the first. See below for examples:

Babin, Leif and Willink Jocko. *Extreme Ownership: How U.S. Navy SEALs Lead and Win*. October 2015. St. Martin's Press. P. 10-14.

Blow, Charles. M. "Black and Armed." *New York Times*. December 20, 2020. p. B12.

C. Luke. "The Rimfire Report: Hands-On with the American 180 Submachine Gun." *The Firearm Blog*. January 18, 2021.

<https://www.thefirearmblog.com/blog/2021/01/18/rimfire-report-american180/>.

Cassel, Jay (Ed.). *Shooter's Bible*. 109th Edition. 2017. Skyhorse Publishing. P. 55.

Cody, James et al. *Running the Ropes: Life in the Ring*. July 2019. Harcourt. Pp. 5-6.

"Flintlock." *Encyclopaedia Britannica*. Jan 17, 2020, p. 3.

<https://www.britannica.com/technology/flintlock>.

Iraqveteran888. "Kalashnikov USA KS-12." January 13, 2021.

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=dkxFfjCMV6g>.

Prasac, Max. "How to Manage Big-Bore Revolver Recoil." *Gun Digest*. July 19, 2021, p. 4.

<https://gundigest.com/handguns/hunting-guns/how-to-manage-big-bore-revolver-recoil>.

Sonoran Desert Institute. *Introduction to Firearms*. 2020. SDI. Pp. 38-42.

Tallet, Frank (Ed.). *European Warfare 1350 – 1750*. 2010. Cambridge University Press. Pp 23-25.

Walsh, Michael. *Last Stands: Why Men Fight When All is Lost*. December 2020. St. Martin's Press. Pp. 120-123.